

Please amend the paragraph beginning on page 12, line 7, and ending on page 12, line 26 to read as follows (a marked up version appears at the end for the Examiner's convenience):

In short, the fuel reformer of the present invention is not limited to the fuel reformers of the type described in Fig. 1 to Fig. 3, but it may also be, for example, a multi-tube type fuel reformer, a flat plate type fuel reformer or the like, and as other examples, more particularly, fuel reformers described in Fig. 1 and Fig. 3 of Japanese Patent Publication No. 2703831, fuel reformers described in Fig. 2 to Fig. 8 of Japan Patent Application Laid-Open Hei 6-13096, fuel reformers described in Fig. 1 to Fig. 3 of Japan Patent Application Laid-Open Hei 6-56401, fuel reformers described in Fig. 1, Fig. 4 and Fig. 7 of Japan Patent Application Laid-Open Hei 7-109105, fuel reformers described in Fig. 1 and Fig. 3 of Japan Patent Application Laid-Open Hei 7-223801, a fuel reformer described in Fig. 1 of Japan Patent Application Laid-Open Hei 7-335238, fuel reformers described in Fig. 1 and Fig. 3 of Japan Patent Application Laid-Open Hei 9-241002, fuel reformers described in Fig. 1 of Japan Patent Application Laid-Open Hei 9-306553, fuel reformers described in Fig. 1 to Fig. 4 of Japan Patent Application Laid-Open Hei 10-125342 and others can be cited.